

Arrowhead News

Centre for Native Education

April 1997

Spring has sprung...

It's true! So take a look out the window, all you sceptics, and you'll see crocuses in bloom and tulips coming out. Now, if the weather would just cooperate...

Spring, incidentally, also means no more sacred stories because bad things may happen. I am not particularly superstitious but I must admit that the thought of finding a rattlesnake in my bed is not one of life's little pleasures I look forward to, at least not in my book! I know, I know, there are no rattlesnakes around. *Or so it seems...* I did hear one last summer at Crown Point NY and there have been sightings around those parts.

And speaking of interesting sightings, this very morning, practically on my front lawn, a flock of snow geese!!!

Take heart!

Hard to believe but... it's almost over!!!!

Summer schedule

The Centre for Native Education will remain open this summer. We'll be open Monday to Friday, 9:00 to 5:00. Please don't hesitate to drop by and show off your tan (or your sunburn...).



Graduating?

Did you know that in order to attend convocation all account balances must be paid in full? To ensure this, call CARL for an update on your account and check with your band council. There is also a **\$40 graduation fee** to pay. For more information, please call or drop by at the Birks Student Centre.

Don't miss your own graduation!

Graduation dinner & dance

On May 10, 1997, the Native Students Association is hosting a dinner and dance at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel in honour of our graduating Native students. You are invited to join in the celebration. Tickets for dinner and dance are \$35 each. Tickets for dance only are \$5 each. Dancing starts at 9:30.

Tickets are available at the Centre for Native Education. Please get your tickets in advance! No tickets will be sold at the door.

Come and celebrate the end of another semester! Who knows, maybe next year it will be your turn...

Summer job watch

Summer jobs are out in all Montreal Native organizations. Keep your eyes open and drop by the Native Friendship Centre to find out more!



You've sent in an application at DIAND and you're still waiting for them to call? Before they call you, you must pass the Public Service Commission Aptitude Test. Please call Valerey at 488-6874 for more information.

Lights, camera, action!

Want to be a filmmaker? For the third year in a row, the NFB is offering professional development training for Native people who use French as their daily language and who show some potential and interest for filmmaking. Training is for a period of 18 months.

Deadline for application: May 19, 1997

University Writing Test

All students admitted to undergraduate degree programs at Concordia must prove their competence in written expression. This is a graduation requirement.

You may take the University Writing Test as often as necessary to obtain a pass.

Next sitting: Friday, May 16, 1997

Scholarships

It may be almost summer, but you still have to think about school! Here are some important deadlines coming up for scholarships:

June 15

Assembly of First Nations

Tommy Prince Award (Native Studies)

Jake Fire Award (Criminology)

Tom Longboat Award (Athletics)

James Gosnell Award (Law)

Robert Smallboy Award (Medicine)

Award: varies

June 15

Petro Canada

Education Awards for Native Students

Award: up to \$5,000

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June 30

Canadian National Railway

Educational Award for Native Students

Award: \$1,500

July 30

Native Women's Association of Canada: Corbière-Lavallée Two-Axe Early Award

Award: \$1,500

Income tax

April 30 is the deadline to send in your income tax forms - if you owe that is. If they owe you, you have all the time in the world (Are you surprised?). If you need help, don't hesitate to come see us at the Centre. Our services are confidential and best of all, free!

Aaaugh!!!

(There's something wrong with my computer!)

It happens to the best of us. Everything is going well and then one morning, you turn on the computer and the paper you've been working on all weekend has mysteriously disappeared, the spelling dictionaries are nowhere to be found and your PC has developed a love-hate (mostly hate) relationship with the printer. Could it possibly get worse? The answer is yes! Your beloved computer may be coming down with a bug. And yet, you're not hooked up to any on-line service.

Where did this virus come from? The answer is your diskette. If you work on more than one computer, if you've gone on the internet, chances are you've brought a virus back home. What to do? Make sure you have up-to-date virus protection and don't let anyone near your computer if you don't know where the diskette has been.

That's all folks!

This is the last newsletter of the 1996-97 academic year. Look for our next exciting (!?) issue in August. In the meantime, enjoy the summer!